

**Idaho Fish and Game Commission
Special Meeting
February 28, 2008
Fish and Game Headquarters
Boise, Idaho**

Present in the Director's Office: Director Groen, Deputy Director Virgil Moore, Dallas Burkhalter, Deputy Attorney General; Sharon Kiefer, Legislative Liaison; Mike Keckler, Chief, Communications; and Mary Boyer, Executive Assistant.

A special meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wheeler with Commissioners Power, Barowsky, Wright, Trevey and Budge participating.

LEGISLATION

New Bill Analysis and Discussion

Sharon Kiefer briefed the Commission on the following:

SB 1441 – Uniformity of firearms regulation that replaces SB 1381. Ms. Kiefer stated that previously the Commission had concerns with SB 1381 but those concerns have been resolved. The Department provided testimony on SB 1441 to the Senate State Affairs Committee (Appendix 41, Exhibit 26).

08-26 Commissioner Barowsky moved and Commissioner Budge seconded a motion to support Senate Bill 1441. **The motion carried in a unanimous vote.**

SB 1435 – Transfer integrated property records to Department of Administration. Transfer of property recording keeping duties from IDL to Department of Administration. Currently we work with IDL on implementation of integrated property record system. If this bill passes the Department will work with Department of Administration.

HB 565 – Riparian and littoral rights. Adds to existing law to provide that certain riparian rights and littoral rights shall not be deemed transferred or abandoned to the state by virtue of rights-of-way deeds or easements. Information only at this time.

Commission consensus is to monitor SB 1435 and HB 565.

Ms. Kiefer provided bill tracking sheets for both Senate and House Bills to the Commission (Appendix 41, Exhibit 27) to the Commission.

SB 1391 Domestic Cervidae Council has been given a new RS number with the same title. SB 1391 will not be advancing. The Department will monitor the new RS number.

HJR 2 The right to hunt, fish trap. The Department has been working with sponsor. The sponsor is introducing a new RS. Staff will continue to work with sponsor of the bill and offer technical advice.

HB 467 Ranch, Farm and Forest Protection Act has a hearing scheduled for Friday morning. Ms. Kiefer provided draft testimony for the Commission to consider (Appendix 41, Exhibit 28). The Commission consensus is to provide testimony in support of HB 467.

MISCELLANEOUS

Adjournment

The Commission meeting adjourned at 8:26 a.m.

Cameron Wheeler
Chairman

Cal Groen
Secretary